

## IT MAY BE SETTLED.

The Decker, Mullins & Berry  
Sewer Case.

## COUNCILMEN TIRED OF THE FIGHT.

Measures, Entlinger and Stephenson  
Think the Matter Might be Compromised—Other City Matters.

There seems to be some diversity of opinion among the councilmen about what ought to be done with the judgment in the Decker, Mullins & Berry sewer case. Probably a majority of the members of the council favor making some kind of a settlement and having the matter fixed up. The city attorney is awaiting the action of the council on the question of appealing the case.

Councilman Entlinger said today: "I am in favor of settling the matter if it can be done on some satisfactory basis. It costs the city \$15 interest every day and this dragging along is very expensive."

Councilman Stephenson is of nearly the same opinion. "I believe we ought to be able to make some kind of a settlement. Every time the case has been decided, the city has got the worst of it, and I think we ought to fix the matter up some way."

## REGISTERING OF VOTERS.

Women Who Want to Register for the

The city registration has reached 3,005 and very few new names are being added to the list in the office of the commissioner of elections.

"People don't register in hot weather. The affairs of state do not give the ordinary man much concern when the mercury is dancing around above 90 degrees. Commissioner Herald is troubled some by women who insist upon registering to vote at the fall election. 'I want to register,' said a buxom young woman today. 'I have never voted, and I want to vote this fall.'"

"You may register, madam," said the commissioner politely, "but you can't vote this fall."

"Why, how is that? I thought women could vote in Kansas now?"

"They can vote only in school and city elections."

"Well, I want to vote for county superintendent, anyhow. That is a school office."

The lady was told that she could not even vote for superintendent at the fall election, but was somewhat encouraged when she was told that after next fall the women will probably be allowed to register for all elections.

## THE CITY DUMP WORKS BADLY.

The Low Water is Interfering With its Operation.

The city dump is the place where the city scavenger disposes of the filth which accumulates in Topeka. It is a large iron pan which holds more than a wagon load, and this is carried out on a wire rope and its contents dumped into the river.

The dump has given the city a great deal of trouble and when the present arrangement was made about a year ago it was thought nothing more would be heard about it, but now there is another "kick" on the way. The city dump is suffering from the dry weather, and the people in its vicinity are suffering from the city dump. The debris has filled up the channel of the river and the water does not carry away the refuse. It also interferes with the operation of the dump, as the iron pan drags on the deposit in the channel when making its trips, and worse than all, the stench is almost as bad as it was before the new dump was put in.

The city engineer inspected the dump yesterday and is satisfied that the only thing that will help matters is a rise in the river, and as he has no means at hand to produce that result, the matter will be submitted to the council, and a new location for the dump may be chosen.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Items of Interest About Topeka's People and Visitors in Town.

A party was given in honor of Mrs. A. R. Jeser of Los Angeles, N. M., by the Pythian sisters at the residence of Mrs. E. Payson on Tuesday evening. The company spent the time in playing high five. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilkerson, L. R. Ward, R. F. Galt, L. Christensen, L. A. Strauss, J. P. Gustafson, J. M. Peterson, Misses Deila and Anson, Omsler, Lillie F. Cren, Mary Boydston, Jennie, Arden and Inez Miller, Cora Haggstrand, Columbia Callaway and Mrs. D. W. Ward, W. C. Sly, O. Smith, V. C. Hunter, W. H. Bruffey.

Miss Minnie Carr, Olive Mackley, Blanch West, Misses Reewick, Nellie and Margaret Goodrich, Ella Whitmer and Messrs. Frank Simm, Bert Sivan, Harry Goodrich, Will Radcliff, Tom Whitmer and Owen Smith enjoyed a picnic at Vinewood yesterday afternoon and evening.

L. M. Newton D. Parker of Ottawa and Miss Isabel H. Bradshaw of this city were married Wednesday, August 8, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bradshaw, 1263 Mulvane street. Dean McLaughlin officiated. The bride wore a gown of white and lace. Mr. Arthur Lacey will leave Sunday for Manitowish to spend a few days with Mrs. Lacey.

F. S. Stevenson has gone to Ft. Worth. Miss Lillian Teft will return from Colorado in about two weeks, and Miss Franc Heizer, of Cascade, will accompany her.

Miss Jane Harlin and a party of friends from Vinite, I. T., were visitors in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sheffield, of Hiawatha, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Atterman.

Miss Sophie and Josephine Plisch have returned from a visit in Chicago and Cincinnati.

Miss Lou Nash will enter the State University in the fall.

Miss Joslyn, of Stevenson & Co., who has been seriously ill, is improving.

Miss Nellie McClintock entertained a few friends last evening.

Mrs. Margaret Wiggins will leave Saturday for Manitowish.

Mrs. Irons accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Frank Banister, to Kansas City yesterday.

The Pense club attended a social at Lowman hill last evening.

Miss Irene McDonald, of Chicago, is the guest of Miss Boughton in Lowman hill.

Miss Susie Sargeant entertained a few friends at tea last evening.

A bicycle party last evening included

Misses Mabel Quigley, Florence Welcome, Daisy Smith, Trisna Greenwald, Jessie Shellabarger, Nannie Hopkins, Messrs. Ed Dennis, Horace McFerran, Rob Merrick, Lewis Greenwald, Nat McFerran and Jake Hair.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Lowman hill M. E. church gave an ice cream and watermelon social last evening on the church lawn. There was a large attendance and the proceeds will be used toward paying off the debt on the parsonage.

The Amateur Music club met last evening with Mrs. F. G. Hubbell. Misses Daisy Sampson, Edith Davis, Lucy Hale and Mary Barkley will give a dancing party at Vinewood, Monday evening, for Misses Lucy Watson, Edith Clark, Annie Towne and Effie Loder.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith and children have gone to Colorado.

Mrs. George Parkhurst has gone to Manitowish.

Mr. F. D. Fuller is in Colorado.

E. A. Barber has gone to New York. Miss Leah Price of Horton was in town yesterday, on her way home from Kansas City.

Mr. C. N. Nelson will leave Sunday for Virginia, Neb., to join Mrs. Nelson and children.

Miss Josephine Dietrich has returned from Manitowish. She will go back in about two weeks, accompanied by Miss Grace Jilson.

Merle King has returned from a week's visit in Valencia.

R. W. Merrill has gone to Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Gardener leave Saturday for Colorado.

Mrs. Lida Irwin Shearer has gone to Chicago for a visit of several weeks.

Mrs. A. M. Fuller and daughter Bernice left today for Colorado Springs.

Mrs. Charles Bernius has returned to Kansas City after a short visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wonderlich.

Mr. Charles K. Holliday left yesterday for Glenwood Springs, to join Mrs. Holliday, Col. and Mrs. C. K. Holliday, Mrs. T. J. Kellam, Louise Kellam, and Elizabeth Holliday, who have been to California. The entire party is expected home Saturday.

Miss Ethel McKee of Newton is visiting Miss Myrtle Callahan.

O. B. Liston and daughter of Goodland, Kas., who have been visiting the family of B. T. Payne, have gone to St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gibbons have removed from the Thompson block to 307 East seventh street.

Miss Ada Smith is in Colorado Springs enjoying a two weeks outing.

Claud Kelsay, who has been visiting the family of G. A. Huron, on Fillmore street, has gone to St. Joe.

Mr. George Wolf of Manitowish, Col., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. H. C. Linds.

Mrs. A. D. Griggs and daughter Grace who have been visiting in Holton for a couple of weeks have returned home.

Miss Nellie Raub of Topeka, who has been visiting Miss Kitty Jordan, went up to Cawker City Monday.—Beloit Gazette.

Irving Todd, steward at Bethany college has been visiting for several days at Manhattan.

## HOW THEY GOT THE FEVER.

Yellow Fever is Raging at Vera Cruz—A Letter From Our Consul There.

Yellow fever is not prevalent at Nuva Topeka, where the Topeka colony is situated, but is brought there from Vera Cruz, where it exists all the year round. Persons passing through Vera Cruz and spending but a single night there are in grave danger of contracting the disease. Charles Schooner, of Seagovick City, Kansas, now consul at Vera Cruz, writes that the fever is raging worse than usual there this year, and that the death rate every week is very heavy.

Recently an Englishman of wealth died there and no one was present who could be called to conduct the burial services over his remains, but Mr. Schooner. He found in the trunk of the deceased an Episcopal prayer book, and he not only read from it the ritual of the dead, but preached an appropriate funeral sermon.

## C. H. J. TAYLOR'S PAPER.

He Will Start a Daily Negro Organ at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—C. H. J. Taylor, of Kansas City, Kas., the recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia, will begin the issue of a daily newspaper, Washington September 1. The journal will be called the Daily Opinion.

It will be published exclusively in the interest of the colored race, and in its columns the word negro will be spelled with a capital N. On the editorial staff of the paper are: Fred Douglass, Fred Douglass and Warner T. McGowan.

## LOCAL MENTION.

Mayor Cox of Wichita, went fishing in the Neosho river a few days ago, and caught a 4-pound bass. Gerold Volk, formerly of Topeka, now of Wichita, took a snap shot at it with his kodak, so the mayor has the proof positive.

Says the Oskaloosa Independent: A man was down last week from Topeka buying apples for a firm of that place. He shipped nearly a car load over the southern route, paying 30 cents per bushel for them. He will be here again in two or three weeks, to buy more fruit.

A train load of fruit on the Santa Fe, consisting of fifteen cars, was led at Newton and passed through here yesterday. The train came from the Pacific coast, and is bound for the eastern markets. Some of the fruit will go to Boston, while a good share of it will be sent into Canada.

Doc Brown of Kansas City, Daisy Harris of Leavenworth, and Sunflower Joe of Topeka, are to be contestants in a cake walk to take place at Crawford's Leavenworth opera house Sept. 1. The Sunflower club is backing the scheme. The walk will be for a \$100 purse. The question is, who is Sunflower Joe, of Topeka.

The Queensmo glee club, which has often been heard in Topeka, having last sung here when Gov. Waite spoke at the Populist rally, has been singing at Populist meetings in this county for the past week. It has been engaged for the Fourth district congressional campaign, in the interest of S. S. Scott. It is composed of two young ladies and two little boys with good voices.

Rudy's Pile Suppository is guaranteed to cure Piles in a few days, and is refunded, 50 cents per box. Send stamp for circular and free sample to Martin Rudy, Lancaster, Pa. For sale by all first-class druggists, and in Topeka by W. R. Kennedy, corner Fourth and Kansas

## WOMEN ARE MIGHTY.

Men Don't Dare to Whip Their  
Wives Any More,

## SAYS A SPEAKER LAST EVENING

At the Women's Open Air Meeting in  
Parkside—All But One of the Speakers  
Are Women.

The women of the progressive political league tried an experiment last night. They held an open air meeting, and it was fairly successful.

The speakers stood on the porch of the residence of Levi Hammond, at the corner of Sixth and Chandler streets and talked to about 300 people, who used the improvised benches or leaned over the picket fence.

Mrs. Gracia Potts, president of the league, presided, and the music was furnished by Ward's musical club, which consists of four young men with French horns and guitars.

Mrs. E. Ward was first introduced. She said in part: "The three planks of the People's party platform are money, land and transportation. As to the latter, no other resolution has been offered better than government ownership of railroads. There is no other solution to the strike problem than that the government has already paid for every mile of railroad in the country with land and money grants at a just compensation."

"If the women could vote they would help change this condition. And now we come to suffrage. We do not ask for anything because we are women, but we do ask for everything because we are human. Never till woman is free shall we have a free, broad visioned race."

"The old parties stand up for conditions that force men and women into degeneration."

Mrs. Wardall then closed with an appeal to all to vote for Populism and suffrage and sat down.

In introducing the next speaker, Willard Stubbs, assistant state superintendent of public instruction, Mrs. Potts incidentally said: "It is said that the people are awakening all over the country. This is not true of Kansas for the reason that the people of Kansas are never asleep."

My. Stubbs spoke at considerable length.

Mrs. Bina A. Otis was the next to speak, and in presenting her, Mrs. Potts said, among other things: "The old parties seem to be a little afraid of their future if the women get to vote. They know how to appeal to a certain class of men, but the women are a mystery to them. It is said that woman can be touched through her vanity, but it has not been recorded that either of the old parties will open millinery stores and give such woman voter in the future a new hat. Kansas women will stand up for Kansas homes."

Mrs. Otis: "In looking back upon past legislation and then upon present conditions I am happy to say that woman did not vote. [Laughter.] But I want to say now that she is going to. [Applause.]"

She then read a letter published in the Woman's Journal. Dr. Deborah Longshore said: "We are sorry to see a Republican pin on her shoulder, the yellow badge of a party that we do not think has brought peace or prosperity to our state. Every one knows she meant Miss Anthony. She does not prove, however, that Miss Anthony was ever a Republican, but Miss Anthony has proven that she is a suffragist."

"We want suffrage. We were not particular which party gave it to us, but we intend to stand by the party that stands by us. Has the Republican party stood by us? [Voice from the audience, 'No!']"

"It has been said that the Populist party would cut the suffrage plank out of their platform. It couldn't cut it out. The people would not let it."

"I feel sorry for the Republican who is opposing suffrage simply because the Populist endorse it. If the devil should endorse the golden rule I would not forsake it."

"We are called cranks. Every promoter of reform since the world began has been called a crank. The women are getting mighty. There was a time when men could whip their wives. Is there a man in Kansas who would dare to do such a thing now?"

"We are trying to make the purification of politics a reality. Will you help us?"

Mrs. Otis sat down amid applause. Albert Griffin, who was said to be in the audience, was called for but had gone home.

There were no other speakers present, Mrs. Blackman could not come—and the meeting adjourned.

## PICKERING IS SANGUINE.

Says He Thinks the Prohibitionists Will  
Poll 25,000 Votes.

Between two hundred and three hundred people assembled on the north steps of the state house last evening and listened to the opening speech of the Prohibition campaign in Kansas, which was made by Major L. O. Pickering, the candidate for governor, of that party.

Major Pickering said the Populists ought to join the Prohibition party, where they could get all the reforms they are working for and the additional and most important reform of prohibition.

In regard to the enforcement of the prohibitory laws he said: "If I am elected governor of Kansas and am inaugurated as governor, I tell you that I can close every open saloon in Kansas inside of ninety days. It's all nonsense to say that it can't be done. What are we doing in Kansas City and Leavenworth and Atchison; you know best whether or not they are doing it in Topeka. The joints are running wide open, and I tell you that it is open rebellion. That's what I call it. I say that any man who speaks from a platform in this campaign and ignores the suffrage by the system of monthly fines, who allow all the hell holes, the damnation holes to run wide open."

The Prohibition county convention yesterday afternoon nominated a full county ticket with the exception of a candidate for county attorney.

The convention agreed that the central committee should be empowered to select a candidate for county attorney. Although nothing was said about it in the convention, it was understood that if a citizens' candidate for county attorney should be brought out by the temper-

ance people the committee would place his name on the Prohibition ticket.

The nominations made were as follows: Probate judge, F. W. Frazier; clerk of the district court, A. G. Carruth; superintendent of public instruction, Mrs. John Montgomery; county commissioner, S. A. Clary.

For representative—Thirty-fifth district, G. F. Kimball; Thirty-sixth district, J. W. Sidwell; Thirty-seventh district, Rev. R. Wake.

After the nominations were made Major L. O. Pickering was introduced and made a short speech. He said the prohibition ticket will not poll less than 25,000 votes in Kansas this fall.

His letter to W. F. Brown, of Cavan, relating to Jerry Simpson.

Lafe Pence has written the following letter to Chairman W. F. Brown, of Cavan, Kas.:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U. S. }  
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 24, 1894.  
W. F. BROWN ESQ., CAVAN, KA.  
DEAR SIR:—Yours of the 10th received. I cannot say now whether or not it will be possible to give a few days to the campaign in your congressional district, but I fully intend, however, to give such time as I can to the campaign in Mr. Simpson's behalf. He is slowly but surely regaining his health and strength and in a few weeks will be ready for campaign work. We notice the Republicans are trying to create the impression that Jerry was sick unto death. They would not think so if the campaign is open and he is in the midst of it.

No better head and no better heart is to be found in congress than that belonging to Jerry Simpson; he is the people's friend as well as the people's advocate. I will come and give a few days to the campaign there if I possibly can. With very best wishes, sincerely,  
LAPE PENCE.

POLITICAL NOTES.

Congressman John Davis has an article in the August "Arena" on "Money in Politics."

Ben Henderson of Winfield, who was chairman of the Populist state convention, is a candidate for county attorney of Cowley county.

Judge Ellis, Republican candidate for congress in the Sixth district, will make nine speeches in Rawlins county this week and six in Cheyenne and four in Decatur next week.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

The street grader is working in the Bethany college precinct.

A beef will be barbecued at the Meriden Republican ratification.

The new Christian church in North Topeka has been painted blue.

The grocers who sell watermelons give a handle with the melon to carry it by.

The five colored churches in Tennessee were all in full blast last night.

A Topeka lawyer is taking his vacation by leaving his office at 4:30 instead of 6.

The new catalogue of the public library is now ready for free distribution.

Grapes which are coming in now are shriveled and tasteless. The dry weather did it.

Ice cream wagons sell more cream flavored with vanilla than all other flavors together.

Even a drouth has its bright side. When it doesn't ruin the watermelons are better.

The discovery of coal west or north of the city would bring the price down to \$2.50 per ton.

The city building is one of the coolest places in the city, but City Clerk McFadden doesn't think so.

Albert Parker thinks that at least one world's record will be broken at the Topeka races next month.

Sam Small will lecture at Emporia Friday night on "What is the Matter With Our Uncle Sam."

Nearly all of Topeka's fast horses are entered in the races at Holton next week, except Dr. Hibben's.

The brass band officers at the postoffice are being polished up for the first time since the building was built.

A Topeka man who has just returned from Otago county says it is dry enough there, but not so dry as reported.

The new brick sidewalk inspector is a Populist, and his wife reads original poems at the Populist league meetings.

State Superintendent Gaines can't pass a hard organ without dropping a nickel, especially if the operator is a sad-eyed woman.

Frank Brooks of Topeka, is register of deeds in Shawnee county and Frank Brooks of Lawrence, is clerk of Douglas county.

The Epworth league of the First M. E. church will conduct the evening service at the Kansas avenue M. E. church next Sunday evening.

A farmer who watched the machine for cancelling stamps at the postoffice yesterday said that it worked like a threshing machine.

It is true that a person can live on milk alone. A Topeka man has taken nothing for more than a year and is healthy and even fat.

The west end of town is thick with rumors that the old cotton-mill is haunted. There is nothing left to haunt but the tower and one wing.

The three Topeka young men who recently started for Denver on their wheels reached the state line today. They expect to get to Denver by Sunday.

Four Topeka boys went to Maple Hill Monday on a week's fishing expedition and came home last night tired and hungry. Their commissary supplies gave out.

The new postal money orders are not popular; one man describes them as "coarse, clumsy, awkward, unhandy, irregular, illshaped and poorly designed."

Rev. R. Wake, who was nominated by the prohibitionists for the legislature in the south district, says he reserves the right to scratch his ticket when the nominees don't suit him.

Electric car motorists do not like to have a woman board the front end of a car and will run by to make her walk to catch the rear end. They believe there is some sort of bad luck in it.

Harry Overhol's grandparents, Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Wakefield of West Newton, Pa., recently celebrated their diamond wedding. Dr. Wakefield is 96 and Mrs. Wakefield is 91 years old.

The "correct" costume for a woman bicyclist is a dark blue or a gray skirt six inches above the high dust line, bloomers, white gaiters, blouse waist and specs—always specs. They prevent dippant men from gazing.

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## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
TOPEKA, KANSAS,  
August 6, 1894.

Council convened in regular monthly session. Present: Councilmen Holman, Pattison, Stevens, Stephenson, Entlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fellows, Fulton and Griggs—10. Mayor T. W. Harrison presiding. Quorum present.

The minutes of July 16, 1894, and August 2, 1894, were presented and on motion of Mr. Stevens the reading of the same was dispensed with and the minutes ordered approved.

Claims were presented and referred to the committee on claims and accounts, who reported same back recommending payment, as follows, viz:

General revenue fund.....	\$ 2,064 74
Fire department fund.....	2,214 81
Metropolitan police fund.....	1,938 88
General improvement fund.....	4,939 96
Eighth avenue paving fund.....	274 00
Judgment fund.....	1,120 24
Interest fund.....	66 43
Twelfth street opening fund.....	320 00
Sewer, district No. 16, fund.....	299 50
	\$12,903 61

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

The claim of N. T. North for services in the commissioner of elections office, as a balance due him of \$10 per month for April, May, June, July, August, September, October and December, 1893, amounting to \$80, was ordered paid. It was then ordered that the claim of N. T. North, of \$15, for truss for H. Kennedy, fire department, was ordered paid.

The bond of John Ritchie, for the construction of sidewalks, signed by himself as principal and Hale Ritchie and John Whipple as sureties, was presented and the blank filled in the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000). The bond was then approved by the following vote: Ayes: Holman, Pattison, Stevens, Stephenson, Entlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fellows, Fulton and Griggs—10. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Fellows offered the following: Resolved, by the mayor and council, That the city engineer be and is hereby instructed to authorize the contractor of sidewalks to build any intersections that in his judgment should be found necessary, at same price of contract for sidewalks.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Holman moved that the time for the construction of new sidewalks commence August 10, 1894, and end December 10, 1894. Mr. John Ritchie accepted the time as being satisfactory to him and the motion was adopted.

Petition of H. H. Bair and nine others for sidewalk on the east side of West street, from Tenth street to Eleventh street, was presented. On motion the prayer of the petitioners was granted.

Petition of Samuel T. Howe and nine others for sidewalk on west side of Lincoln street, commencing at the southwest corner of Eighth avenue and Lincoln street, running thence south 87½ feet. On motion the prayer of the petitioners was granted.

Petition of J. S. Munn and others for sidewalk in front of lots 89, 92 and 94 Madison street was presented, and on motion the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

Communication of F. H. Traver and 78 others, protest against employing outside farm labor or farm teams on the streets in the